

In The Matter Of:

*Janice McCollum v.
Amtren*

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[1] payable accounts?
 [2] **A.** Sure, uh-huh.
 [3] **Q.** And it's my understanding that
 [4] Padus – is that the way you pronounce it?
 [5] **A.** I believe that's right. Padus.
 [6] **Q.** Would send invoices to Amtren to
 [7] be paid?
 [8] **A.** Yes.
 [9] **Q.** I believe it was your
 [10] responsibility to ensure that those invoices
 [11] were timely paid?
 [12] **A.** Yes.
 [13] **Q.** Were there ever any problems
 [14] with Amtren making timely payments to Padus?
 [15] **A.** When you say timely payments,
 [16] what are the terms?
 [17] **Q.** What do you mean by timely
 [18] payments?
 [19] **A.** We tried to pay all of our
 [20] vendors within 45 days. Sometimes that
 [21] worked out, and sometimes it didn't. It
 [22] depended on cash flow.
 [23] **Q.** Now, my question is, were there

[1] **Q.** Were the accounts paid within 45
 [2] days?
 [3] **A.** We tried to.
 [4] **Q.** Does that mean that sometimes –
 [5] **A.** I'm not going to sit here and
 [6] say we paid every account in 45 days,
 [7] because I don't know.
 [8] **Q.** Do you know who Elisabetta
 [9] Benetollo is?
 [10] **A.** Does she work for Padus?
 [11] **Q.** Yes. It's spelled
 [12] E-L-I-S-A-B-E-T-T-A, B-E-N-E-T-O-L-L-O.
 [13] **A.** Okay.
 [14] **Q.** Do you recall her?
 [15] **A.** I believe I do.
 [16] **Q.** I spelled it for the court
 [17] reporter, not you.
 [18] **A.** I know that.
 [19] **Q.** Did you ever have any problems
 [20] with – strike that. Do you recall
 [21] discussing any problems with Ms. Benetollo
 [22] about problems getting the invoices paid to
 [23] Padus?

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[1] problems with making timely payments to
 [2] Padus?
 [3] **A.** There may have been. I don't
 [4] remember.
 [5] **Q.** You don't recall any?
 [6] **A.** I mean, I don't know. I would
 [7] have to see the documents.
 [8] **Q.** Well, were there lots of
 [9] accounts that there were problems with
 [10] making timely payments to?
 [11] **A.** No, not in my opinion.
 [12] **Q.** Then, if there was a problem
 [13] with Padus, you should remember that, then;
 [14] is that correct?
 [15] **A.** Maybe I should. It's two years
 [16] ago. I don't.
 [17] **Q.** However, you do recall that
 [18] there were problems with making timely
 [19] payments to some of the accounts payable of
 [20] Amtren; is that correct?
 [21] **A.** No, I don't recall that. We
 [22] tried to pay everybody in 45 days. You
 [23] know, that was our terms.

[1] **A.** I don't remember the specifics.
 [2] I would need to see the documents.
 [3] **Q.** What do you remember generally?
 [4] **A.** I remember talking to her, I
 [5] believe. I don't know every piece of the
 [6] conversation.
 [7] **Q.** Well, do you recall generally
 [8] what the problem was or problems were?
 [9] **A.** I don't know if there was a
 [10] problem.
 [11] **Q.** You just don't know –
 [12] **A.** If it's regarding payment. Like
 [13] I said, we tried to pay everyone in 45 days.
 [14] **Q.** Did you ever talk with
 [15] Mr. Lamberth about problems with not paying
 [16] everyone in 45 days?
 [17] **A.** No, not that I remember.
 [18] Mr. Lamberth was all for paying everybody in
 [19] 45 days.
 [20] **Q.** Was it your responsibility –
 [21] strike that. Did you have any
 [22] responsibility with the processing of orders
 [23] from Amtren's customers?